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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 4, 2003, Applicants hereby request entry of the following election.

## ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, claims 1-20, drawn to a method for preparing a sample for detection, classified in class 435, subclass 272.